

INTEREST IS KEEN IN MUMMY FLUID

Discovery of Secret of Pharaohs
by Young Scientist Im-
portant—If True

WOMAN EXPERT EXPLAINS

Philadelphia Egyptologists are interested in the discovery claimed by a student of a Washington university of the fluid used by the Egyptians to mummify their dead. The mummies of these people have been preserved down through the ages in almost perfect condition, and there has always been a keen desire to learn the formula employed by the ancients.

Miss H. Newell Wardle, of the Academy of Natural Sciences, was one of those who read with careful attention of the discovery made by Francis S. Bennett, youthful student at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C. Miss Wardle is the Academy's authority on mummies and Egyptian lore.

"My first comment would be," she said, "that the world ought to know the formula of this new discovery which has great possibilities. There have been various theories advanced as to the means of mummification, but it has never been proved that the exact preparation of the 'mummy fluid' has been ascertained. What is just what is hoped remains to be proved. Time and a painstaking chemical analysis and comparison alone can determine the truth.

Brain Is Dipped

"We know that even among the Egyptians there was a decided difference in the degree of success attained. The quality of the mummification seems to depend on the period. For example, we have a mummy here, said to be that of an Egyptian princess of high rank, which consists of nothing much more than a handful of soot and dust and the incense case. The skeleton of the princess has not been able to defy the centuries, even despite the art of those who did the embalming.

"I notice that the story of the new discovery refers to dipping the brain into the potent fluid. All scientific research has tended to the belief that the brain was not included in the embalming, but has been placed in a high rank, which consists of nothing much more than a handful of soot and dust and the incense case. The skeleton of the princess has not been able to defy the centuries, even despite the art of those who did the embalming.

Still Remains Secret

What the production contains still remains a secret with Mr. Bennett. He says that its active principle is the oil of allum, extracted by a special process from any of the plants of the onion family. It is not poisonous, but on the contrary is believed to have some medicinal properties.

Relating some of the tests already made, the National Catholic Welfare Council states: "The fluid of the human brain was dipped into the fluid, and in a short time became shrunken and as hard as wood, and that when dipped back into clear water it resumed its normal size and appearance.

"That eggs dipped in the fluid and removed have kept for six months under ordinary conditions of temperature without the slightest change from the day they were first dipped.

"That beetles, discolored and disintegrating, were dipped in the fluid, and that the disintegration halted and the original colors were restored.

"That frogs and fish have been successfully preserved for more than a year without the slightest sign of decay.

"That a human body, twelve days after death, had been taken under unfavorable conditions, dipped into the fluid, and is now thoroughly preserved and shows no tendency towards decomposition.

It is expected that the discovery will be of commercial value as well as scientific, and another use to which the fluid has already been put has been that of preserving valuable manuscripts, as well as restoring them. Recently valuable books in the collection of P. Morgan were treated, and for the first time in centuries were wholly legible.

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Ancestors for Longevity

Dr. John Levering, of Mount Airy, a descendant of one of the early settlers of Germantown and Roxborough at the time of William Penn's settlement in Pennsylvania, is celebrating his 100th birthday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Thomas B. Hammer, of 300 Gowen avenue. The neighborhood of the centenarian's home is in gala attire in appreciation of the day.

The dentist is in excellent health for his advanced age and credits this to careful diet, regular habits, optimism and good ancestry. His mind is clear and he reads the newspapers every day, keeping in close touch with events.

Doctor Levering was born at Roxborough August 19, 1820, and was the third of eight children of John and Maria Stearns Levering. He was graduated from the Philadelphia College of Dental Surgery February 28, 1855, and practiced in Germantown until 1870, when he retired and made his home at Mount Airy.

He was married in 1851 to Mary Schugard, of Mount Airy, who died in 1914 at the age of eighty years. His father was eighty-four and his mother eighty-five at death. An uncle lived to be ninety-four and an aunt to be ninety-three. "Three sisters were more than seventy when attaining their eighty-eighth year. Another sister is still living in her ninety-fourth year. Watson's Annals says Wigard of the family lived to the age of 109.

Doctor Levering is living with his daughter, Mrs. Catharine S. Bradshaw, besides his other daughter, Mrs. Thomas B. Hammer, has one son, Frank B. Levering, of Frederickburg, Va. He has four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

ZOO GETS MARINES' MASCOT

Green Monkey, Cognac, Is Lover of Booze and Eggs

"Cognac," the green monkey of the marines, has been forced to take refuge in the Zoo by the enforcement of the great national-wide drought. His master found it impossible to give him his customary nightcap of hot toddy, and the mournful, shivering, bone-dry monkey made him an unwelcome member of the community. Yesterday H. R. Mercer, a Philadelphia war veteran, presented the green imbibor of stimulating fluids to C. Emerson Brown, superintendent of the Zoo.

"Cognac," so called on account of his frequent spells of inebriation, answered reverie one morning while in the First Marine Guard was stationed at St. Aignan, France. His love for hard-boiled eggs and French "vicks" immediately won the admiration, love and eventually the respect of the gallant marines. He was official mascot for the "devil-dog" guards during their sojourn in the sunny French islands.

Because his particular friend and brought him to Philadelphia after the war.

NO OVERTIME PAY AT P. O.

Employees to Be Given Extra Time Off Instead

Although postal employees who worked Sunday between June 5 and July 1 will lose the overtime pay that they will be allowed to take days off for the Sundays they worked.

Announcement to this effect was made today by Thomas J. Johnson, superintendent of mails for the Philadelphia district. Mr. Johnson said about 200 men here are affected by the new ruling. They cannot collect overtime for Sundays any more, he said, but for every Sunday they work without the slightest sign of pay, or even save up Sundays and take a week off when funds are due.

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ROXBOROUGH BUSINESS MEN HAVE OUTING



Members of the Ridge Avenue Business Men's Association of Roxborough, with their families and friends, went to Wildwood, N. J., yesterday, where they enjoyed their annual outing

HULL'S VICTORY RECALLED

Constitution's Captain Destroyed British Ship 108 Years Ago

It was just 108 years ago today that Captain Isaac Hull, with his United States frigate Constitution destroyed the British frigate Guerriere in one of the most notable of the country's naval battles. The young nation was so grateful for his deed that Congress voted him a gold medal, the city of Charleston, S. C., gave him a service tea set and Gilbert Stuart painted a portrait of him that is considered a masterpiece.

Captain Hull died in 1843 at his home on Spruce street near Sixth. Mrs. Isaac Hull Platt, whose husband was a great-nephew of the doughty captain, says that the medal, tea service and portrait have been presented to the Pennsylvania Museum, Memorial Hall, Fairmount Park.

AUTO VICTIM IDENTIFIED

Man Killed in Camden Monday Was Charles Williams, 608 Line St.

A man killed in Camden by an automobile Monday, was identified today as Charles Williams, sixty-two years old, 608 Line street, a shoemaker employed in Philadelphia. Identification was made by two fellow boarders. Williams was run down by a machine driven by William Scanton, Park boulevard, at Broadway and Mt. Vernon street. He died an hour later at the Cooper Hospital of a fractured skull.

His wife thought he had gone out of town to visit relatives at Burlington, as she had expected him to do, and was not alarmed at his absence until today. She collapsed when she learned the victim was her husband.

FIRE IN ROOMING HOUSE

Hoseman Hurt in Blaze at Tenth and Vine Streets

Fire in the three-story brick rooming house at 1019 Vine street, known as the Liberty, destroyed the second and third floors at 10 o'clock this morning. The extent of the damage is as yet unknown. The fire started in a room at the second story rear.

Edward Sprangers, a hoseman, of Engine Co. 20, was hit on the head with a coupling, and his scalp was cut. He was taken to the Jefferson Hospital.

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TO BURY MISS VARE HERE

Congressman Will Bring Daughter's Body From Pekin

Arrangements are being made by Congressman William S. Vare to bring back to this country the body of his daughter, Ida Mare, who died of tonsillitis in Pekin on Tuesday.

MAY INSURE AGAINST RAIN

Navy Yard Considers Policy for Fair Weather on Fete Day

Navy yard officials are considering making a little bet with Jupiter Pluvius, with the stake a matter of \$20,000. The bet will concern the weather on September 11 and will be with an insurance company that will take a chance on anything.

If two-tenths of an inch of rain falls between sunrise and sunset on that day the navy wins the \$20,000—if it decides to bet.

The object of the gamble is to assure the success of Navy Day on September 11, when the yard, with all its war relics and curiosities, will be thrown open to the public for the benefit of the Navy Relief Society. This is an organization that looks after and takes care of the destitute families of dead officers and men in the navy and marine corps.

Once a year a Navy Relief Day is set apart for the support of this society, and every naval station in the country does something to contribute to its funds.

FIRST CARBUILDER DIES

William O. Castor, of Garriage Firm, Also Made Circus Wagons

William O. Castor, the man who built the first street car that ever ran in Philadelphia, died at his home, 4623 Girard street, yesterday, at the age of seventy.

Mr. Castor was a member of the oldest carriage-building firm in the city, that of Thomas Castor & Sons, who have been in business for more than 100 years. "Until ten years ago the firm's place of business was at Frankford and Overington streets. This firm, it was said, also built the first circus wagon of the traveling type.

Mr. Castor had been retired from active participation in the business for some time, on account of ill health.

He is survived by a widow, two sons, and his brothers in the firm, Frank and Edward Castor. Services will take place at his late home on Saturday. Interment will be private.

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LETTER GIVES CLUE TO "CRANK'S" PAL

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LOOK FOR MRS. PASQUALE IN WATER SIX WEEKS

A letter written in 1919 by Augustus Pasquale, "The Crank," and said to support his statement that he had accomplices in the kidnapping of Blakely Coughlin on June 2, has been found.

District Attorney McAvoy has the letter which was turned over to him by Benjamin F. Goodman, who was Pasquale's counsel at the time it was written. It contains a sentence which establishes the existence of "Joe," so often referred to by "The Crank." That part of the letter reads:

"Let me know how Joe makes out in his case."

At the time it was written Pasquale was a prisoner in the Holmesburg county jail, and the "Joe" referred to was being tried on a larceny charge. Mr. Goodman, who also was "Joe's" attorney, found the letter yesterday.

Mr. Goodman has furnished the detectives with a good description of his former client, who lived on Buttonwood street near Sixth.

Further information in connection with the "Joe" referred to in the letter found by Attorney Goodman was furnished yesterday by Harry S. Thiel, formerly employed by Mr. Goodman as an investigator.

According to Thiel the mysterious "Joe" is Joe Vigile, a brother-in-law of Pasquale, who is said to have married Vigile's sister. It is now believed that "The Crank's" wife may have the kidnapped baby in hiding.

Assistant District Attorney A. H. Hendricks, of Norristown, today said: "There has been too much secrecy in connection with the case in the past. There is nothing that should be kept from the public. Hereafter reporters will be permitted at any hearing that will be given 'The Crank.'"

From the number of cases that are docketed for the September term of the Montgomery County Court it is considered unlikely in Norristown that "The Crank" will be tried next month, as had been reported.

STEAL BALL FAN'S AUTO

\$2000 Car Taken While Man Sees A's Play Chicago Team

An automobile valued at \$2000 containing 800 cigars was stolen yesterday while the owner was witnessing the ball game between the Athletics and Chicago White Sox.

Robert W. Kidd, Pennsboro, N. J., who owned the machine, and his friend, T. V. Slicker, were in town for the day and decided to see the ball game, parking their cars outside with several others. When they looked for it after the game it was gone.

Thieves broke into the cellar of Samuel Axelrod, 1722 South Seventh street, a bottler, and stole five barrels of whiskey valued at \$2000.

After forcing a side window in the home of Samuel Sherman, 2236 South Tenth street, thieves stole \$175 and clothes valued at \$20.

WOMAN'S HACKED BODY A MYSTERY

Police Unable to Identify Fragment Found in Hudson River

LOOK FOR MRS. PASQUALE IN WATER SIX WEEKS

New York, Aug. 19.—Further efforts were made today to determine, by means of an autopsy, how death came to the unidentified woman whose torso was found floating in the Hudson river, near Communipaw, N. J., Tuesday night. Medical Examiner Arthur Haskins, of Jersey City, in charge of the autopsy, despaired, however, of identifying the victim.

The police dragged the river in the vicinity of where the torso was found in an effort to locate other parts of the body, but without success.

The dismembered torso of a woman, under thirty years of age, was found floating in the waters of Pier 5, Communipaw. The arms, legs and head had been hacked off close to the trunk with a fine-bladed saw, according to Doctor Haskins.

There is absolutely no mark of identification on the body. The only clue the police have is a bit of twine that was tied around it and a few pieces of red flannel, probably threads of the cloth in which it was wrapped. The body had been in the water from two to six weeks, Doctor Haskins believes, and may have floated a considerable distance.

After the torso had been examined by the police and medical authorities, it was taken to Pryor's morgue, Jersey City, where it remained unclaimed last night. The woman was probably about 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighed about 130 pounds, Doctor Haskins said. The amputation had been done with crude weapons and gave no appearance of surgical knowledge. It will not be difficult to identify the head and limbs, as the harbor police have been warned to watch for them.

The murder of Anna Ammiller, for which "Father Hans Schmidt" paid the death penalty in the electric chair in February, 1916, was solved by the identification of an embroidered pillow case in which part of the woman's body was found. Schmidt cut his victim into nine parts which he threw one by one into the North river from the Fort Lee ferry. The trunk was washed ashore at Hoboken. Other parts were discovered floating in the bay; one leg floated up on the beach at Keansburg, N. J., inside Saint Hook Schmidt. In his confession, said St. Elizabeth, of Hungary, his patron saint, had instructed him to make the sacrifice.

Another famous murder in which the body of the victim was discovered by the murderer was the Goldensuppe case in 1896. As in the Ammiller case, the Goldensuppe was decaying to an empty house in

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Thorn and Augusta Nack, the woman over whom the two had quarreled, dismembered the body, and like Hans Schmidt, and doubtless the unknown slayer of the latest "butchery" victim, they threw the several parts into the river. The mystery probably would never have been solved if Thorn had not boasted of his crime to a friend, who told his wife, who in turn, told the police.

Jersey City police said last night there is no woman missing on record there who answers the description Doctor Haskins drew of the murdered woman.

Belief was expressed by the New Jersey authorities today that the woman may have been murdered at some point up the Hudson river and floated down with the current.

Doctor Haskins said he planned to test the woman's stomach to determine if she had been poisoned, but that the autopsy might be postponed until tomorrow.

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